

REMARKS

The applicants submit the amended set of claims for prosecution. The amendments have been made in order to retain the right to rejoinder for the product claims.

Restriction Requirement

A restriction requirement has been issued under 35 U.S.C. 121 for:

Group I – Claims 1-2, 40-43 and 45-52,

Group II – Claims 53-71, and

Group III – Claim 72-80.

The applicants elect the invention of Group I (Claims 1-2, 40-43 and 45-52).

Request for Reconsideration Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.111

The applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the instant application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111 and request that the Examiner allow all of the pending claims and pass the application to issue.

If there are remaining issues, the applicants respectfully request that Examiner telephone the applicants' attorney so that those issues can be resolved as quickly as possible.

Respectfully,
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